

1553, the “Small Bank Exam Cycle Reform Act of 2015”; H.R. 1737, the “Reforming CFPB Indirect Auto Financing Guidance Act”; H.R. 1839, the “Reforming Access for Investments in Startup Enterprises Act of 2015”; H.R. 1941, the “Financial Institutions Examination Fairness and Reform Act”; H.R. 2091, the “Child Support Assistance Act of 2015”; H.R. 2243, the “Equity in Government Compensation Act of 2015”; H.R. 2643, the “State Licensing Efficiency Act of 2015”; H.R. 2912, the “Centennial Monetary Commission Act of 2015”; H.R. 3032, the “Securities and Exchange Commission Reporting Modernization Act”; H.R. 3189, the “Fed Oversight Reform and Modernization Act of 2015”; and H.R. 3192, the “Homebuyers Assistance Act”. The following bills were ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 766, H.R. 1210, H.R. 1941, H.R. 1553, H.R. 2091, H.R. 3192, H.R. 3032, H.R. 2912, H.R. 1737, and H.R. 2643. The following bills were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 2243, H.R. 1839, H.R. 3189, and H.R. 1317.

WOMEN UNDER ISIS RULE: FROM BRUTALITY TO RECRUITMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Women Under ISIS Rule: From Brutality to Recruitment”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THREATS TO PRESS FREEDOM IN THE AMERICAS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere held a hearing entitled “Threats to Press Freedom in the Americas”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

AVIATION SECURITY CHALLENGES: IS TSA READY FOR THE THREATS OF TODAY?

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Aviation Security Challenges: Is TSA ready for the threats of today?”. Testimony was heard from Peter V. Neffenger, Administrator, Transportation Security Administration, Department Homeland Security.

INTERNET OF THINGS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet held a hearing entitled “Internet of Things”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FEDERAL AGENCIES’ SELECTIVE ENFORCEMENT OF ESA CONSULTATION

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Federal Agencies’ Selective Enforcement of ESA Consultation”. Testimony was heard from Michael Bean, Principal Deputy Assistant

Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior; and Sam Rauch, Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Fisheries.

EPA MISMANAGEMENT, PART II

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “EPA Mismanagement, Part II”. Testimony was heard from the following Environmental Protection Agency officials: Ronald Harris, Equal Employment Opportunity Specialist; Carolyn Bohlen, Chief, Enforcement Services Section #2, Superfund Division; Ross Tuttle, Senior Advisor; and Gina McCarthy, Administrator; and a public witness.

DATA ACT IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Information Technology; and Subcommittee on Government Operations, held a joint hearing entitled “DATA Act Implementation”. Testimony was heard from Gene L. Dodaro, Comptroller General of the United States, Government Accountability Office; David Mader, Controller, Office of Federal Financial Management, Office of Management and Budget; David A. LeBryk, Fiscal Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury; and Robert A. Taylor, Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit, Department of the Treasury.

A REVIEW OF THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION’S LICENSING PROCESS

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Energy held a hearing entitled “A Review of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission’s Licensing Process”. Testimony was heard from Stephen Burns, Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D865)

H.R. 2499, to amend the Small Business Act to increase access to capital for veteran entrepreneurs, to help create jobs. Signed on July 28, 2015. (Public Law 114–38)

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY,
JULY 30, 2015**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine whistleblower claims at the Department of Veterans Affairs, 10:30 a.m., SD-124.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Admiral John M. Richardson, USN, to be Chief of Naval Operations, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to continue consideration of an original bill to provide for the modernization of the energy policy of the United States, S. 133, to approve and implement the Klamath Basin agreements, to improve natural resource management, support economic development, and sustain agricultural production in the Klamath River Basin in the public interest and the interest of the United States, S. 145, to require the Director of the National Park Service to refund to States all State funds that were used to reopen and temporarily operate a unit of the National Park System during the October 2013 shutdown, S. 146, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into agreements with States and political subdivisions of States providing for the continued operation, in whole or in part, of public land, units of the National Park System, units of the National Wildlife Refuge System, and units of the National Forest System in the State during any period in which the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture is unable to maintain normal level of operations at the units due to a lapse in appropriations, S. 329, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain segments of the Farmington River and Salmon Brook in the State of Connecticut as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 403, to revise the authorized route of the North Country National Scenic Trail in northeastern Minnesota and to extend the trail into Vermont to connect with the Appalachian National Scenic Trail, S. 521, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of President Station in Baltimore, Maryland, S. 583, to establish certain wilderness areas in central Idaho and to authorize various land conveyances involving National Forest System land and Bureau of Land Management land in central Idaho, S. 593, to require the Secretary of the Interior to submit to Congress a report on the efforts of the Bureau of Reclamation to manage its infrastructure assets, S. 610, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of P.S. 103 in West Baltimore, Maryland and for other purposes, S. 720, to promote energy savings

in residential buildings and industry, S. 873, to designate the wilderness within the Lake Clark National Park and Preserve in the State of Alaska as the Jay S. Hammond Wilderness Area, S. 1103, to reinstate and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project involving Clark Canyon Dam, S. 1104, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project involving the Gibson Dam, S. 1240, to designate the Cerro del Yuta and Rio San Antonio Wilderness Areas in the State of New Mexico, S. 1305, to amend the Colorado River Storage Project Act to authorize the use of the active capacity of the Fontenelle Reservoir, S. 1483, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating the James K. Polk Home in Columbia, Tennessee, as a unit of the National Park System, S. 1694, to amend Public Law 103-434 to authorize Phase III of the Yakima River Basin Water Enhancement Project for the purposes of improving water management in the Yakima River basin, and an original bill to provide for reforms of the administration of the Outer Continental Shelf of the United States, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine sanctions and the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Lucy Tamlyn, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Benin, Jeffrey J. Hawkins, Jr., of California, to be Ambassador to the Central African Republic, David R. Gilmour, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Togolese Republic, Daniel H. Rubinstein, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Tunisia, and Carolyn Patricia Alsup, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of The Gambia, all of the Department of State, 2 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine the impact of the United States tax code on the market for corporate control and jobs, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 1814, to withhold certain Federal funding from sanctuary cities, and S. 32, to provide the Department of Justice with additional tools to target extraterritorial drug trafficking activity, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture, hearing entitled "Examination of Federal and State Response to Avian Influenza", 8:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.